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URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT OF
FEATHERSTONE

for the Year 1936

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To the Chairman and Members of the Council :

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour of placing before you my Seventeenth Annual Report on the Health of your District for the year ended 31 December 1936, along with the Reports of your Sanitary Inspector (Mr Hilsley) and Mrs Booth, your Health Visitor.

POPULATION. The population for the year 1936 as given to me by the Registrar General is 14,080, being a decrease of 360 from the previous year. Since the year 1926 the population of your district has shown a progressive annual decline owing to the dislocation of the coal mining industry. During the last twelve years the population has decreased by 1810.

The figure as given to me for 1936 shows a census of 4.08 per house. Ten years ago the population per house was 4.9.

I am credibly informed that there are about 800 men wholly unemployed in this district, and from 25 to 100 partially unemployed, the latter varying in numbers from week to week.

The size of this Sanitary Area is 4480 acres, and contains 3444 houses. During the year 28 new houses have been completed and inhabited—18 of those by the Local Authority and 10 by private enterprise. By the recent alterations of boundaries carried out by the West Riding County Council, your area may be slightly enlarged, without adding any increase to your population. These alterations are not yet completed.

	April 1936	October 1936
Rateable Value	£49517	£49025
1d Rate equals (gross)	£207.15.4	£204.5.5
1d Rate equals (net)	£190.0.0	£190.0.0
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General Rate laid April 1936 at 8/8	21607	13 2
General Rate laid October 1936 at 8/8.....	21244	3 4

WATER USED—

Half-year to March 1936	39274000 gallons costing	£2923 2 5
Half-year to Sept. 1936	36632000 gallons costing	£3126 13 3

Average cost per 1000 gallons—19.11 pence

OUT-RELIEF. The weekly average number of persons in receipt of Relief is : Men 240, Women 270, Children 180 ; a total of 690. Total relief paid from 1 April 1936 to 31 March 1937 was £12642.

RAINFALL during 1936—

January	.....2.26 inches
February	.....2.10 inches
March	.....1.15 inches
April	.....1.14 inches
May	.....1.00 inches
June	.....4.05 inches
July	.....3.23 inches
August	.....1.15 inches
September	.....1.73 inches

October	1.70 inches
November	2.66 inches
December	0.74 inches

Total for the year 22.91

You will see that one-third of the total rainfall occurred in the months of June and July, when fine weather was expected.

BIRTH RATE. 254 Live births were registered during 1936 (128 males and 124 females, two of the latter being Illegitimate). In addition to the Live births there were 14 Still births (6 males and 8 females).

This gives a Birth Rate of 18.03, and Still births .90.

I append the Birth Rates for the last 10 years—

1926 ...	21.6	1931 ...	19.3
1927 ...	20.6	1932 ...	19.3
1928 ...	21.3	1933 ...	19.9
1929 ...	21.9	1934 ...	17.2
1930 ...	20.2	1935 ...	18.9
1936 ...		18.03	

The Birth Rate for England & Wales for 1936 was 14.8 Live births, and Still births .61.

DEATH RATE. Total deaths during the year were 156 (98 males and 58 females). This gives a Death Rate of 11.0. The Death Rate for England & Wales was 12.1. Of the total deaths, 20 died before they were a year old (14 males and 6 females), and 72 were 60 years or upwards.

The Death Rates for the last 10 years were—

1926 ...	10.0	1931 ...	11.9
1927 ...	13.9	1932 ...	12.7
1928 ...	10.2	1933 ...	13.7
1929 ...	14.6	1934 ...	11.6
1930 ...	11.4	1935 ...	12.9
1936 ...		11.0	

You will find the Causes of Death with ages in the subjoined Tables—

CAUSES OF DEATH

		Male	Female
Digestive Diseases	...	1	2
Nephritis	...	3	-
Other Puerperal Diseases	...	-	2
Congenital Debility & Premature Birth	...	3	4
Senility	...	-	3
Suicide	...	1	-
Other Violence	...	7	-
Other Defined Diseases	...	8	7
Diabetes	...	1	1
Cerebral Haemorrhage	...	3	3
Heart Disease	...	21	15
Other Circulatory Diseases	...	1	1
Bronchitis	...	4	3
Pneumonia	...	15	4
Other Respiratory Diseases	...	-	1
Peptic Ulcer	...	2	-
Measles	...	3	-
Influenza	...	3	1
Tuberculosis of Lungs	...	5	5
Other Tuberculosis	...	2	-
General Paralysis, Tabes etc.	...	3	-
Cancer	...	12	6
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	Total	98	58
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Deaths of Infants under 1 year	...	14	6

CAUSES AND AGES AT DEATH DURING THE YEAR

1936

CAUSES	All Ages	Un- der 1yr	1-2 yrs	2-5 yrs	5-15 yrs	15- 25 yrs	25- 45 yrs	45- 60 yrs	Ov'r 60 yrs
Measles	3	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Influenza	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
Cerebro Spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis (Lungs)	10	-	1	-	-	5	2	2	-
Other Tub. Diseases	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
General Paralysis Insane	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
Cancer	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	14
Diabetes	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Cerebral Haemorrhage	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5
Heart Disease	36	-	-	-	1	-	5	3	27
Other Circulatory Diseases	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Bronchitis	7	3	1	-	-	-	-	1	2
Pneumonia	19	5	3	-	-	-	2	3	6
Other Respiratory Diseases	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Diarrhoea (under 2 yrs)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appendicitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Digestive Diseases	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Nephritis	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
Puerperal Sepsis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Puerperal Diseases	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Congenital Causes	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senility	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Suicide	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Other Deaths from Violence	7	-	-	-	-	6	-	1	-
Other Defined Diseases	15	3	-	-	2	4	-	2	4
Peptic Ulcer	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Total	156	20	7	1	3	18	13	22	72

BIRTH RATE, DEATH RATE, & ANALYSIS OF MORTALITY DURING YEAR 1936

	England & Wales	122 County Boro's and great towns inc. London	143 Smaller towns 25000 to 50000 at 1931 census	London Adminis. County	FEATHER- STONE
Births					
	Rates per 1000 Population				
Live	14.80	14.90	15.00	13.60	18.03
Still	0.61	0.67	0.64	0.53	0.90
Deaths					
All Causes	12.10	12.30	11.50	12.50	11.00
Typhoid	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
Smallpox	....	....	....	....	....
Measles	0.07	0.09	0.04	0.14	0.21
Scarlet Fever	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	....
Whooping Cough	0.05	0.06	0.04	0.06	....
Diphtheria	0.07	0.08	0.05	0.05	....
Influenza	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.14	0.28
Violence	0.52	0.45	0.39	0.52	0.49
Notifications					
Smallpox	....	....	....	....	....
Scarlet Fever	2.53	2.18	2.48	2.57	2.20
Diphtheria	1.39	1.31	1.26	1.69	2.60
Enteric Fever	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.06	....
Erysipelas	0.40	0.38	0.35	0.44	0.49
Pneumonia	1.11	1.10	0.96	0.99	1.20
Rates per 1000 Live Births					
Deaths under 1 year	59	63	55	66	78
Deaths from Diarrhoea & Enteritis und. 2 yrs	5.90	8.20	3.40	14.40	....
Maternal Mortality					
Puerperal Sepsis	1.40		Not available		....
Others	2.41		Not available		7.80
Total	3.81		Not available		7.80
Rates per 1000 Total Births (Live & Still)					
Maternal Mortality					
Puerperal Sepsis	1.34		Not available		....
Others	2.31		Not available		7.40
Total	3.65		Not available		7.40
Notifications					
Puerperal Fever	3.27	3.46	2.80	3.03	....
Puerperal Pyrexia	9.64	9.52	7.57	11.15	....

INFANTILE MORTALITY. This is measured by the proportion of Deaths under 1 year to 1000 Registered Births. The total deaths under 1 year during 1936 were 20, and the total births 254. This gives an Infantile Mortality of 78. The previous year it was 65. The Infantile Mortality for England & Wales was 59.

The Infantile Mortality for the last 10 years was—

1926 ... 58	1931 ... 89
1927 ... 144	1932 ... 69
1928 ... 69	1933 ... 85
1929 ... 144	1934 ... 71
1930 ... 70	1935 ... 65
1936 ... 78	

ZYMOTIC DEATH RATE. The Deaths from the seven principal Zymotic Diseases (Small Pox 0, Scarlet Fever 0, Measles 3, Diphtheria 0, Whooping Cough 0, Enteric Fever 0, Diarrhœa 0) amount to 3. This gives a Zymotic Death Rate of 0.2.

The following Table shows the number of Infectious Cases notified during the year 1936—

	Notified	Deaths
Measles	... 114	3
Scarlet Fever	... 32	-
Diphtheria	... 37	-
Pneumonia	... 17	19
Cerebro Spinal Fever	... 3	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	... 1	-
Erysipelas	... 6	-
German Measles	... 3	-
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Total	213	22
Tuberculosis Pulmonary (new cases) ...	11	10
Other Tubercular Diseases (new cases) ...	8	2
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Total	232	34
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Whooping Cough and Diarrhœa are not notifiable in this area, and Chicken Pox only when Small Pox is present in neighbouring areas. It was not notifiable during 1936. Pneumonia is irregularly notified. All the cases of Tuberculosis were notified previous to death.

All the cases of Measles, Pneumonia and Ophthalmia Neonatorum were treated at home, without nursing assistance. All the cases of Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria and Cerebro Spinal Fever were sent to the Isolation Hospital at Aketon, which is situated in our area.

Various offers have been made to immunize the children attending the eight schools in this district. I have attended each school (after intimation) on appointed days, but I have only succeeded in less than 50 per cent of the school attendance. I had no bad results following the simple operation.

The cost of Infectious Diseases and Days in Hospital is appended—

			£	s	d
31 Scarlet Fever	2052 days	cost	205	4	0
37 Diphtheria	1905 days	cost	381	0	0
3 Cerebro Spinal Fever	147 days	cost	62	9	6

In addition to the above maintenance cost, 7 cases of Scarlet Fever received Anti-Toxin treatment at an additional cost of £15.15.0, thus making a total cost for maintenance and treatment of £664.8.6.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING 1936

	All Ages	Un- der 1	1 to 2	2 to 3	3 to 4	4 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 35	35 to 45	45 to 65	65 and over	Cases to Hospital	Deaths
Diphtheria ...	37	-	-	1	4	4	2	7	9	9	1	-	-	37	-
Scarlet Fever ...	32	-	-	-	3	2	15	5	1	4	-	2	-	31	-
Cerebro Spinal Fever ...	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	3	-
Puerperal Fever ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oph. Neonatorum ...	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia ...	17	5	1	2	1	-	2	-	2	-	1	1	2	-	-
Erysipelas ...	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	1	-	-
Measles ...	114	2	15	20	25	34	14	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-
German Measles ...	3	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals ...	213	9	16	23	33	40	34	14	13	17	4	7	3	71	-
Pulm. Tuberculosis (new cases) ...	11	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	3	-	4	-	5	-
Other Forms Tub- ercul. (new cases)	8	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	2	2	-	-	-	1	-
Totals ...	232	10	16	23	34	40	36	16	17	22	4	11	3	77	-

STATEMENT OF NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS
DISEASES RECEIVED DURING 1936

Cases notified or otherwise ascertained		Cases removed to Hospital	
-	Small Pox	-	Small Pox
32	Scarlet Fever	31	Scarlet Fever
37	Diphtheria (including Mem. Croup)	37	Diphtheria
-	Typhoid (Enteric Fever)	-	Enteric Fever
-	Paratyphoid (Enteric Fever)	-	Enteric Fever
17	Acute Pneumonia (primary or Influenzal)	-	Cerebro-Spinal Fever
-	Puerperal Fever	-	German Measles
-	Puerperal Pyrexia	-	Whooping Cough
3	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	114	Measles (excluding German Measles)
-	Acute Poliomyelitis	-	Chickenpox
-	Acute Polio-Encephalitis	-	Malaria—Contracted Abroad
-	Acute Encephalitis Lethargica	-	Malaria—Contracted in this Country
-	Typhus Fever	8	Other Forms of Tuberculosis (new cases)
-	Relapsing Fever	11	Respiratory Tuberculosis (new cases)
-	Continued Fever	6	Erysipelas
-	Dysentery	1	Ophthalmia Neonatorum
-	Continued Fever	-	German Measles
-	Relapsing Fever	-	Small Pox
-	Typhus Fever	-	Scarlet Fever
-	Continued Fever	-	Diphtheria
-	Enteric Fever	-	Enteric Fever
-	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	3	Cerebro-Spinal Fever

TUBERCULOSIS. During the year, 11 new cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were notified and 8 Non-Pulmonary, making a total of 19 new cases. During the year, 10 Pulmonary and 2 Non-Pulmonary cases died.

During the year, 10 Pulmonary cases and 5 Non-Pulmonary cases were removed from the list on the Register.

		Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary
Died	...	7	2
Recovered	...	2	1
Left the District	...	1	2
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	Totals	10	5
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During the year, 5 Pulmonary and 1 Non-Pulmonary were sent to Sanatorium or Hospital.

The Death Rate from Tuberculosis, both Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary, was 0.6.

For the last 5 years the Death Rates from Tuberculosis were—

1931	...	0.9	1934	...	1.1
1932	...	1.3	1935	...	0.9
1933	...	1.1			

I might incidentally mention here that the cow-sheds and cows are visited twice a year by a Veterinary Surgeon from the West Riding, and he removed 17 animals suffering from Tuberculosis. These were destroyed. In addition the Sanitary Inspector visits all slaughterhouses weekly. During the year he has seized and destroyed the whole carcases of 8 animals—1 bullock, 2 heifers, 3 cows and 2 pigs. In addition he has destroyed from other animals 1450lb of beef, 6 lungs, 7 livers, 4 heads and tongues, 19 other organs, 6 pigs' heads and plucks. I would point out that Milk from those cows, seized by the Veterinary Surgeon on the discharge of his visits and by the Sanitary Inspector on his visits to the slaughterhouses, was purveyed to the community at large.

New Cases and Mortality during 1936

Age Periods	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulm.		Non-Pul.		Pulm.		Non-Pul.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	...	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
1 and under 5	...	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
5 and under 10	...	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
10 and under 15	...	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
15 and under 20	...	1	2	-	1	-	1	-
20 and under 35	...	1	2	-	2	2	-	-
35 and under 45	...	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
45 and under 55	...	1	3	-	-	1	-	-
55 and under 65	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and upwards	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	...	3	8	6	2	3	4	2

Number of Cases on Tuberculosis Register

		Pulmonary		Non-Pulm.		Total	
		M	F	M	F	M	F
On Register, 1 Jan. 1936	...	71	36	29	29	100	65
Added during year	...	3	8	6	2	9	10
Totals	...	74	44	35	31	109	75
Removed from Register during 1936	...	4	6	2	3	7	8
On Register 31 Dec. 1936	...	70	38	33	28	102	67

Reasons for Removal of Cases from Tuberculosis Register

		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
		M	F	M	F
Died	...	3	4	2	-
Recovered	...	1	1	-	1
Wrong Diagnosis	...	-	-	-	-
Left the District	...	-	1	-	2
Totals	...	4	6	2	3

Tel. 34 Featherstone.

Angus House,

Featherstone,

Yorkshire.

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Dear Sir

I have been away
on holiday, and unable to answer
your enquiry earlier.
I regret the mistake made
in my Report

Yours faithfully

W. L. E.



District... *Heatherstone*

ANNUAL REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

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TUBERCULOSIS.

New Cases and Mortality during 1936.*

Particulars of new cases of tuberculosis and of deaths from the disease in the area during 1936 should be given in the Report in the following form:-

Age Periods.	New Cases ϕ				Deaths \dagger			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-4							1	
5-14					1		1	
15-24					2	3		
25-34					1	1		
35-44					1	1		
45-54								
55-64								
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945-954								
955-964								
965-974								
975-984								
985-994								
995-1004								
TOTALS					5	5	2	-

- * (1) Also specify the ratio of non-notified tuberculosis deaths to total tuberculosis deaths, and add a note as to the efficiency of notification of tuberculosis in the area, and the action taken, if any, including particulars of any proceedings taken in cases of wilful neglect or refusal to notify.
- (2) If there is evidence of excessive incidence of, or mortality from, tuberculosis in any particular occupation in the area, a note on the subject should be included.
- ϕ All primary notifications should be included, and also any other new cases of tuberculosis which came to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health during the year.
- \dagger Deaths occurring in the district amongst temporary residents, which are transferred to another district, should not be included, but deaths occurring outside the district amongst persons normally resident in the district should be included (see returns of transferable deaths furnished by the Registrar-General).

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New Cases and

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from the disease in the a
Report in the following f

Age Periods.		New Cases		
		Respiratory		Non-
		M.	F.	M.
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1--	o o o			
5--	o o o			
15--	o o o			
25--	o o o			
35--	o o o			

● **VACCINATIONS.** During the year, 52 Primary Vaccinations were successfully performed, showing that only 20% of the children born are now protected.

CANCER. Eighteen deaths from this disease have been registered during the year, 14 of them being over 60 years of age, and 4 between 45 and 60, giving a **Death Rate** of 1.2.

The parts of the body affected by the disease were : Mouth 2 ; Larynx 1 ; Oesophagus 1 ; Bowels 6 ; Pancreas 2 ; Rectum 1 ; Breast 2 ; Male Organs 2 ; Female Organs 1.

VENEREAL DISEASES. I am indebted to the Wakefield V. D. Clinic for the following information about inhabitants from this district—

	Males		Females
Syphilis ...	13	Syphilis ...	7
Gonorrhœa ...	9	Gonorrhœa ...	4
Non-Venereal...	3		

I regret that the above figures show a considerable increase (both Male and Female) of people suffering from these diseases.

HOUSING. During the year, 28 new houses have been erected and occupied (18 of these by the Local Authority and 10 by Private Enterprise). My Council have at present under consideration 6 more Bungalows for aged people. There is a want of three-roomed houses in this district.

The recent Housing Census gives the following results—

Persons in Family	No. of Houses	Persons in Family	No. of Houses
1	... 78	6½	... 62
1½	... 4	7	... 75
2	... 649	7½	... 27
2½	... 271	8	... 21
3	... 684	8½	... 13
3½	... 217	9	... 4
4	... 493	9½	... 5
4½	... 186	10	... 3
5	... 299	Empty	... 7
5½	... 135		
6	... 183		
		Total No. of Houses 3416	

According to the Housing Survey there are 1013 houses occupied by over 4 persons per house, but in these figures a child under 1 year of age is not counted, and a child between the ages of 1 and 10 is counted as half a person.

PRIVATE STREETS. A few streets during the year have been put in proper repair, but there are others brought to the notice of my Council, which are urgently needing similar treatment.

SANITARY WORK. Our Water supply is obtained from Wakefield Corporation at a cost of 19.11 pence per 1000 gallons. The water is of good quality and satisfactory in quantity. There has been no shortage calling for curtailment during the year. There are 7 houses in the area not connected with the Public Water Supply. 75,906,000 gallons of water have been used during the year at a cost of £6049.15.9.

DRAINAGE. This is satisfactory, as are the two Sewage Farms.

SCAVENGING. This work is done by the Council very efficiently. During the year, 3501 loads have been removed to the Destructor, 4137 loads to Tips, and 2062 loads of liquid from cesspools to farm land.

The total annual cost of collection and disposal of this refuse amounts to £4023.16.11.

We still have 53 cesspools in the area, mostly associated with detached houses and at Ackton Pastures, and the cost for their attention is £236.12.2.

We have at present—

2895 water and waste-water closets
34 pail closets
391 privies

During the year, 15 privy closets and 7 waste-water were converted into water closets. The 28 new houses have w.c.s, and 6 more were added to old property, making in all 56 new water closets.

We have at present in this area—

222 wet ashpits
479 dry ashpits
1582 dustbins
34 pail closets

On the water-carriage system at present there are 2895 water closets (2852 water closets and 43 waste-water), giving a percentage of 87. Section 39 of the Public Health Act has never been in operation in our area, but we insist on conversion upon the discovery of any structural defect.

I would seek to draw your attention to the detailed report of Mr Hilsley, and Tables C & D prepared by him. Mr Hilsley is a most efficient officer, and most energetic in the discharge of all his manifold duties. His office books are most carefully kept, and are always up-to-date.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE. There are weekly attendances at Featherstone and Streethouse, and a monthly meeting at Loscoe. There is a monthly Ante-Natal meeting at Featherstone on the second Tuesday of each month at which pregnant mothers from Featherstone and Streethouse attend. There is an average attendance of 80 at Featherstone, 40 at Streethouse, and 15 at Loscoe, at the various Child Welfare Clinics. The attendance at the Ante-Natal meeting varies from 12 to 22 at each monthly meeting.

A number of voluntary workers attend very regularly and render very helpful and acceptable service.

My Council have issued instructions that all necessitous cases, both of mother and child, should receive assistance. Further, that any difficult or complicated maternity case should be sent to Leeds Maternity Hospital, and the expense paid by the Council. Any crippled or deformed child is to be sent to an Orthopaedic Centre or Hospital, and all charges incurred to be met.

The following disbursements have been made—

	Free	Cost	Price
Free Milk, 5100 pints costing ...	66 6 8		
Oster Milk ...	22 10 0	2 14 0	
Cow & Gate Dried Milk ...	27 13 6	5 17 0	
Cod Oil & Malt ...	4 4 11	18 0	
Virol ...	3 2 0	7 7	
Total	£123 17 1	£9 16 7	

In addition, there is a further expenditure on behalf of crippled children and maternity claims—

	£	s	d
Leeds Maternity Hospital	... 107	1	4
Yorkshire Orthopædic Hospital	... 62	19	6
Wakefield Corporation (Maternity)	... 15	6	0
Wakefield City Orthopædic Centre	... 1	18	0
Midwifery Fees for necessitous cases	... 12	6	0
	<hr/> £199 10 10 <hr/>		

My Health Visitor (Mrs Booth) leads a very full life. She attends 10 Clinics per month and disburses to the necessitous cases after enquiry, the above-mentioned extras. She visits all new-born babies at their homes, as well as toddlers and many of the pregnant mothers before and after birth. She has to visit all cases of Measles and Infantile Diarrhœa. The Measles cases notified amounted to 114.

Mrs Booth is active, and knows the district, as well as the people, well, and is always willing in the discharge of the work that falls to her lot.

In conclusion, I earnestly thank all the members of my Council for their kindly help and constant desire to do what is necessary to further the health of the community.

I am

Yours faithfully

WM. STEVEN, M.B.

M.O.H.

10 June 1937

URBAN DISTRICT OF FEATHERSTONE

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SANITARY INSPECTOR

for the

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1936

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To the Chairman and Members of the Council.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg to present to you my Tenth Annual Report of the work of the Sanitary and Cleansing Department for the year ended 31 December 1936.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION. During the year a census of the Sanitary Accommodation of the district was made and the following statement shows the numbers of the various types of sanitary conveniences in use in the district at the end of the year—

Type	Number
Water Closets	... 2852
Waste-Water Closets	... 43
Pail Closets	... 34
Privies	... 391

During the year 15 privies were converted to water closets, 7 waste-water closets were converted to water closets, 28 water closets were provided to new houses and 6 additional water closets were provided to old property.

This gives an addition of 56 water closets, with a reduction of 15 privy closets and 7 waste-water closets.

The census revealed 49 water closets which were not previously on the register, chiefly at premises such as clubs, schools etc., also an additional 13 pail closets.

As Section 39 Public Health (Amendment) Act 1907 has never been applied in this district, the conversions were all carried out as the result of action taken under the nuisance clauses of the Public Health Act 1875.

SCAVENGING. The following statement shows the number of the various types of refuse receptacles in use in the district at the end of the year—

Wet Ashpits	...	222
Dry Ashpits	...	479
Dust Bins	...	1582
Pails	...	34
Cesspools	...	53

This is a decrease of 16 wet ashpits, an increase of 3 dry ashpits and 97 dust bins over last year's figures. Nine of the pail closets are emptied by the occupiers.

The collection and disposal of house refuse is carried out by direct labour, and is done by day and night. The wet ashpits, except in a few isolated cases, are emptied by night, together with the greater proportion of the dry ashpits.

Two motors and 2 horses and carts are employed during the day, and two motors at night.

The following table shows the number of refuse receptacles emptied and the loads removed during the year—

Ashpits and Privy Middens	...	15799
Dust Bins	...	109403
Pails	...	1270
Cesspools	...	636
Loads to Destructor	...	3501
Loads to Tip	...	4137
Loads of Liquid from Cesspools	...	2062

The average number of times the various receptacles have been emptied during the year is as follows—

Ashpits and Privy Middens	... 22.5 times
Dust Bins	... 69.1 times
Pails	... 50.0 times
Cesspools	... 12.0 times

The estimated weight of refuse, based on test weighings, excluding the liquid from cesspools, is 10770 tons.

The refuse is disposed of both by incineration and by tipping. A two-cell refuse destructor is in use which disposed of 45.8% of the refuse. The remaining 54.2% was tipped on land at the South Featherstone Sewage Farm, and the land subsequently brought into cultivation.

The liquid from the cesspools was disposed of by tipping over farm land.

The cost of collection and disposal, including the working of the destructor works, for the year ended 31 March 1936, was £4023.16.11.

During the year ended 31 December 1936, the cost of collection for wages only, was as follows—

	£	s	d
Ashpits and Privy Middens	... 1090	5	10
Dust Bins	... 764	17	9
Pails	... 11	9	6
Cesspools	... 236	12	2

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA. During the year the following inspections were made—

Nature of Inspection	No. of Visits
General Sanitary Work under P. H. Acts	... 1060
Inspections under Shops Act 1934	... 12
Housing Inspections and Re-Inspections	... 206
Cowsheds, Dairies and Milkshops	... 92
Slaughterhouses	... 720
Markets	... 32

Factories and Workshops	...	66
Cinemas	...	4
Verminous Premises	...	25
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		2217
Visits re Infectious Diseases	...	72
Visits re Disinfection	...	94
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Total		2383
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NUISANCES DISCOVERED. In order to secure the abatement of the nuisances discovered, the following notices were served—

Notices	No. served	Complied with	Not complied with
Informal	290	283	7
Statutory	39	39	-

Statutory Notices served—

Section 36 Public Health Act 1875	...	9
Section 41 Public Health Act 1875	...	3
Section 17 Housing Act 1930	...	18
Section 19 Housing Act 1930	...	7
Section 10 Shops Act 1934	...	2

SMOKE ABATEMENT. You are members of the West Riding of Yorkshire Regional Smoke Abatement Committee. A bye-law under the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Act 1926 was adopted in 1929, fixing the maximum permissible period for smoke emission from any building other than a dwellinghouse, at 3 minutes in 30.

There are only 6 industrial chimneys in your area, and 2 of these chimneys are at a colliery now closed.

There are 2 colliery spoil banks in active conflagration.

HOUSING. During the year, 27 houses have been dealt with under the Housing Act 1930. Of these, 2 were rendered fit after service of informal notices ; 18 notices were served under Section 17, and 7 notices under Section 19.

The 18 houses subject to notices under Section 17, together with 20 houses outstanding from the previous year, were rendered fit by the owners.

During 1936, 15 demolition orders were made on houses represented during the previous year : 7 of these houses were vacated by the end of the year, but demolition was not actually commenced.

To provide accommodation for displaced families, you erected 13 houses of the bungalow type and 13 houses of the three-bedroom type, but only the 13 bungalows and 5 of the houses were actually tenanted at the end of the year, the remaining 8 houses being tenanted the following week.

You have not yet made any provision of new houses for the relief of overcrowding, although several of the worst cases of overcrowding have been relieved by accommodation in your existing houses, and other cases have been relieved by migration to other districts.

OFFENSIVE TRADES. Fish-frying has not been declared to be an offensive trade in your area, and the only such trade carried on is that of tripe boiler. Only one tripe boiler is registered, and these premises have been kept in a satisfactory condition, giving rise to no complaint during the year.

SHOPS ACT 1934. As the population of the district is under 20000, the only provisions of the Shops Act which directly concern you are the provisions regarding the lighting and ventilation of shops, and the provision of proper sanitary conveniences.

During the year, 2 statutory notices were served to provide proper sanitary conveniences, which were duly complied with.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOODS

MILK SUPPLY. There were at the end of the year the following particulars recorded in the register—

Persons registered as Cowkeepers	... 31
Premises registered as Cowsheds	... 41
Cowkeepers who are also Retail Purveyors	... 24
Retail Milk Sellers	... 29

The approximate number of cows on the registered premises is 338.

One farm in your area is licensed by the County Council for the production of " Accredited " Milk.

During the year, 92 inspections of cowsheds were made.

All the farms in your area are supplied with water from the public supply.

The West Riding Veterinary Staff administer Part IV of the Milk and Dairies Order 1926, and the Tuberculosis Order 1925. During the year, 2 routine visits were paid to each farm, and in addition special visits were paid to farms where reports had been made of cattle suspected of suffering from tuberculosis. It is my practice to accompany the Veterinary Inspector on his routine inspections.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS. There are 12 licensed private slaughterhouses in the district, but no public abattoir.

The animals slaughtered are regularly inspected, and the standard of inspections based upon the recommendation of the Departmental Committee on Meat Inspection detailed in Memo 62/ Foods.

The animals slaughtered are generally of good quality. All the butchers are members of the local association, who run an insurance scheme for compensation for surrendered carcasses.

The following is a list of the animals slaughtered—

Bullocks and Heifers	...	922
Cows	...	206
Pigs	...	1220
Sheep	...	886
Lambs	...	370
Calves	...	28

During the year the following were condemned as unfit for human consumption, surrendered by the butchers and destroyed—

Whole carcase and all organs—

Bullocks	...	1
Heifers	...	2
Cows	...	3
Pigs	...	2

Total 8

Parts of Beef	...	1450 lb
Lungs	...	6
Livers	...	7
Heads and Tongues	...	4
Other Organs	...	19
Pigs' Heads and Plucks	...	6

All the above were surrendered, and it was not found necessary to institute legal proceedings in any case.

Generally speaking the provisions of the Meat Regulations are well observed.

All animals including sheep are stunned by a mechanically operated instrument. In this connection 30 slaughtermen held licences to slaughter or stun animals.

During the year, 89 tins of canned foods have been surrendered by shopkeepers as unsound, and destroyed.

DISINFECTIONS. During the year, 79 disinfections were carried out on account of infectious diseases, including Tuberculosis.

The premises are fumigated with formalin, and the bedding etc. disinfected by steam at the Isolation Hospital. Disinfections are carried out for Tuberculosis after removal to Sanatorium, after death, and after change of tenancy.

Disinfectant is supplied free in cases of infectious diseases, including tuberculosis. This cost £10.8.7 during the year.

Fifteen houses were fumigated and treated with insecticide on account of vermin.

RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION. Rat week was observed from 2 - 7 November, and public attention was called to this by means of posters and advertisements in the local press.

I have frequently been called upon for advice in this matter, and the public appear to be more alive to the rat menace.

CONCLUSION. Infectious diseases again showed a reduction from the previous year.

During the year the Housing Census was completed, and all the houses in the district have now been measured and recorded. The Ministry have fixed the appointed day for this district as 1 July 1937. By this date all rent books must contain a summary of the provisions of the Act relating to overcrowding which affect occupiers, also a statement of the number of persons permitted to sleep in the house. After this date it will be an offence on the part of the occupier who causes, and of the landlord who permits, any overcrowding of a dwellinghouse, except in circumstances permitted under the Act.

I have again to tender to the Medical Officer of Health my very best thanks for his valued advice and support, to my staff for their loyal co-operation, and my brother Officers for their courtesy and help in supplying any information I have sought.

To you, Mr Chairman and Gentlemen, I offer my thanks for the way you have consistently supported me in any recommendation I have made for the improvement of the district.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN HILLSLEY

Sanitary Inspector

FEATHERSTONE URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT

YEAR 1936

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TABLE C

NUISANCE INSPECTIONS

Total Inspections in 1936 for Nuisances only	...	932
Nuisances found in 1936	...	337
Nuisances in hand at end of 1935	...	18
Total needing abatement	...	355
Abated during 1936	...	340
Outstanding at end of 1936	...	15
Notices served—Informal	...	290
Complied with	...	283
Notices served—Statutory	...	12
Complied with	...	12
Summonses or other legal proceedings	...	-
Tents, Vans, & Sheds		
No. in district	...	2
Offensive Trades : Tripe Boiler		
In district	...	1
On register	...	1
Total inspections	...	6
General condition	...	good

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

Sewer extensions during 1936	...	none
Portion still requiring sewerage	Ackton Wood Pastures	
Improvement of defective sewers	...	none
Houses not connected to sewers	...	104
Sewage disposal works—		
Any extensions in 1936	...	none
Any inadequacy	...	none

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

Privies with open middens	...	-
Privies with covered middens	...	391
Pail or tub closets	...	34
Water closets	...	2846
Waste-water closets	...	43
Privies reconstructed in 1936 as W.C.s	...	15
Additional W.C.s provided for old property in 1936	...	6

W.C.s constructed in 1936 for new houses	...	C
Any special action taken by Council to secure conversion of privies and pails to W.C. system	...	none

SCAVENGING

Is public scavenging in operation throughout district ?	...	yes
Refuse disposed of—		
Loads to destructor	...	3501
Loads to tips	...	4137
Loads of liquid from cesspools to farmers	...	2062
Total annual cost	...	£4023.16.11

WATER SUPPLY

Source of supply	Wakefield Corporation
By whom distributed	Featherstone U. D. C.
Houses on public supply	... 3436
Has supply been satisfactory—	
In quality	... yes
In quantity	... yes

MILK SUPPLY

Are two registers being kept as required by Section 2 (3) Milk and Dairies (Amendment) Act 1922 for retailers, cowkeepers and wholesale traders	...	yes
Any retailers been removed from register	...	-
Licences in force for Grade "A" milk	...	1
Samples of Grade "A" milk examined bacteriologically	...	2
Samples found satisfactory	...	2
Samples taken by officers of L. A. for analysis under F. & D. Act	...	-
Samples of ordinary milk taken by officers of L. A. for—		
Bacterial count	...	-
Presence of tuberculosis	...	-
Any special examination for dirt	...	none
Registered cowkeepers in district	...	31
Total number of cowsheds	...	41
Total number of milk cows	...	338
Cowsheds inspected during the year	...	41
Total number of cowshed inspections	...	92
No. of wholesale traders registered	...	7
No. of retail milk sellers registered	...	29

MEAT INSPECTION

Any public abattoir	...	no
Total number of slaughterhouses licensed	...	12

Unsatisfactory as regards structure, position etc.	...	5
Beasts—		
Total number of carcasses inspected	...	1128
Number entirely condemned	...	6
No. of cases where part of carcass or organs condemned		20
Calves—		
Total number of carcasses inspected	...	28
Number entirely condemned	...	-
No. of cases where part of carcass or organs condemned		-
Sheep—		
Total number of carcasses inspected	...	886
Number entirely condemned	...	-
No. of cases where part of carcass or organs condemned		10
Lambs—		
Total number of carcasses inspected	...	370
Number entirely condemned	...	-
No. of cases where part of carcass or organs condemned		-
Pigs—		
Total number of carcasses inspected	...	1220
Number entirely condemned	...	2
No. of cases where part of carcass or organs condemned		8
Number of prosecutions	...	-

OTHER FOODS

Bakehouses in district	...	4
Total inspections	...	12

SCHOOLS

In district	...	8
Visited by M.O.H.	...	8
Schools closed by M.O.H.	...	-

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS

Smoke observations taken	...	3
Cautions, statutory notices or prosecutions	...	-

SHOPS ACT 1934, Sections 10 & 13 (3)

Visits paid under above Act during 1936	...	12
Unsatisfactory conditions found	...	2
Remedied	...	2

VAN DWELLINGS

In district	...	2
Any signs of increase of this class of dwelling	...	no
Is Section 27 of P. H. A. A. Act 1907 in force	...	yes

ERADICATION OF BED BUGS

No. of Council houses found to be infested	...	3
No. disinfected	...	3
Other houses found to be infested	...	12
No. disinfected	...	12
Methods employed for freeing infested houses from bed bugs—		
	Fumigation by special fumigators and spraying with insecticide	
Methods employed for ensuring that belongings of tenants are free from vermin before removal to Council House—	None treated during 1936	
How is work carried out	By Local Authority	

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

No. in district	...	1
What action taken to ensure satisfactory condition of water	Continuous filtration & chlorination	

BYE-LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Cleansing of Footways and Pavements, Scavenging, Prevention of Nuisances, Common Lodging Houses, New Streets and Buildings, Alteration of Buildings, Slaughterhouses	Date of approval, 1897
Smoke abatement	Date of approval, 1929

INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Diseases specially prevalent in 1936	Measles
State months	May, June, October, November
Arrangements for nursing Puerperal Fever cases—	At Leeds Maternity Hospital

TUBERCULOSIS

Is house disinfected	...	yes
After removal to sanatorium	...	yes
After death	...	yes

ISOLATION HOSPITALS

General Infectious Diseases—

Address of Hospital Ackton Isolation Hospital
Any disease in addition to scarlet fever, enteric fever
or diphtheria treated in infectious diseases hospital—
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis

Name of authority controlling—

Normanton & Dist. Joint Isolation Hospital Committee

Smallpox—

Address of Hospital Glass Houghton Smallpox Hospital

Name of authority controlling—

Normanton & Dist. Joint Isolation Hospital Committee

GENERAL HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS

General and Accident—

Leeds Infirmary, Pontefract Infirmary, Clayton Hosp.

Children's—

Leeds Infirmary, Pontefract Infirmary, Clayton Hosp.

Maternity (Homes)

Leeds Maternity Hospital

AMBULANCE SERVICES

For General Sick and Accident cases—

Location of ambulance Council Yard, Featherstone
Ownership Featherstone U. D. Council
Type of ambulance Motor
Arrangements for nurse to accompany patient ... no
Charges to patients in district ... none

For General Infectious Disease cases—

Location of ambulance Ackton Isolation Hospital
Ownership Normanton & District Joint Isolation
Hospital Committee
Type of ambulance Motor
Arrangements for nurse to accompany patient ... yes
Charges to patients in district ... none

For Smallpox—

Location of ambulance Ackton Isolation Hospital
Ownership Normanton & District Joint Isolation
Hospital Committee
Type of ambulance Motor
Arrangements for nurse to accompany patient ... yes
Charges to patients in district ... none

MORTUARIES

For accidents	Urban District Mortuary
For infectious cases other than at hospital	... none
For other cases	Urban District Mortuary
For post mortem examinations	Urban District Mortuary

BURNING SPOIL BANKS

Any nuisance therefrom	2 spoil banks in active conflagration
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SANITARY STAFF

Sanitary Inspector	John Hilsley
Annual salary as Inspector	£355
Other appointments held—	
Cleansing Superintendent, Inspector of Meat and other Foods, Housing Inspector	
Salary for such other appointments	... none
Assistants	1 uncertificated assistant & 1 clerk
Is staff sufficient	... yes
Does M.O.H. receive copies of memos. and circulars distributed by Ministry of Health	... yes

HOUSING STATISTICS FOR YEAR 1936

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TABLE D

1. Inspection of dwellinghouses during the year—

1. Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects, under Public Health or Housing Acts	27
2. Number of dwellinghouses included above which were inspected and recorded under Housing Consolidated Regulations	... 27
3. Dwellinghouses needing further action	... 27
a. Number considered to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	... 7
b. Number (excluding those above) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	... 20

2. Remedy of defects during year without service of formal notices—

Dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by Local Authority or their Officers	... 2
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3. Action under Statutory Powers—

A. Proceedings under Sec. 17, 18, 23, Housing Act 1930

1. Dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	... 18
2. Dwellinghouses rendered fit after service of formal notices	... 38
a. by owners	... 38

B. Proceedings under Public Health Acts—

1. Dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	... -
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C. Proceedings under Sections 19 and 21 of the Housing Act 1930—

1. Representations made in respect of dwellinghouses unfit for habitation	... 7
2. Dwellinghouses in respect of which demolition orders were made	... 15
3. Dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders	... -

- D. Proceedings under Section 20 of Housing Act 1930 or Section 84 Housing Act 1935—
1. Separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made ... -
 2. Separate tenements or underground rooms closed in pursuance of closing orders ... -
4. **Unhealthy Areas**
Areas declared Clearance Areas during 1936 none
5. **New Houses erected during 1936—**
- a. By Local Authority ... 18
 - b. By Private enterprise ... 10
 - Total ... 28
6. **Housing Conditions**
1. Total houses in district ... 3444
 2. Working-class houses included in above ... 3388
 6. Any regulations made in respect of underground sleeping rooms under Section 18, Housing Act 1925 no
7. **Town Planning**
1. Is Council a member of any Regional Town Planning Committee Sheffield & District
 2. Is a Town Planning Scheme in force for—
 - a. the whole district ... no
 - b. part of the district ... no
 3. Have Council during 1936 passed a resolution deciding to prepare a Town Planning Scheme ... no
8. **Name and address of Officer designated to make inspections under the Housing Consolidated Regulations**
John Hilsley, Council Offices, Featherstone
9. **Action taken to improve housing conditions of tuberculous families—**
A number of such families have been accommodated in Council houses
10. **Housing Act 1935—Overcrowding**
- a. 1. Dwellings overcrowded at end of year ... 120
 2. Families dwelling therein ... 125
 3. Persons dwelling therein ... 743½
 - b. New cases of overcrowding reported during year ... -
 - c. 1. Cases of overcrowding relieved during year ... 60
 2. Persons concerned in such cases ... 359

URBAN DISTRICT OF FEATHERSTONE

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

HEALTH VISITOR

for the

Year ended 31 December 1936

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To the Chairman and Members of the Featherstone Urban District Council, and the Chairman and Members of the Maternity and Child Welfare Committee :

Mr CHAIRMAN, LADIES & GENTLEMEN,

Herewith I beg to submit to you a Report of the Maternity and Child Welfare Services for the year 1936. In these Services are incorporated Ante-Natal and Post-Natal Clinics, and the Home Visitation of Infants and Ante-Natal Women.

ANTE-NATAL SERVICES. In the services there is an Ante-Natal Clinic held monthly at the Gospel Hall, Featherstone, and I am reiterating last year's statement when I say the attendances have steadily increased, so much so at some Clinics, that our accommodation and facilities for dealing with these women have been greatly taxed.

The majority of the women who have attended this Clinic have engaged midwives to attend them in their confinements. It has been gratifying to note that in necessitous cases the fees of these skilled women have been paid by the Council, so that no mother need resort to the services of a handywoman for lack of financial aid.

In addition to the Health Visitor, two certified midwives attend this Clinic.

POST-NATAL CLINICS. Your three Child Welfare Clinics, held at Featherstone, Streethouse and Loscoe respectively, have been well attended during the year. At these Clinics, there are weekly weighings of infants, consultations with the M.O.H. whenever needed by the parent for her child, and treatment given if required. It is from these consultations that the cases which are

treated at the Yorkshire Orthopædic Hospital and the Ultra Vio-
 Ray Department at Pontefract, arise. The co-operation between
 your Clinics and these services has resulted in many successful
 cases having been treated to prevent crippling and rickets.

A feature of these Clinics, also, is a weekly lecture given by
 the M.O.H. in order that the members may compete for the Na-
 tional Parentcraft Competition held annually.

The social amenities of your Clinics are in the hands of a
 very well organised Maternity and Child Welfare Committee, and
 voluntary helpers. The ladies on this committee render great ser-
 vice throughout the year, for which we are grateful. The social
 side of the Clinic, being so ably catered for, adds materially to the
 success of its popularity.

The necessitous mothers attending these Clinics have, during
 the year, either for themselves or for members of their families
 under five years of age, been able to take advantage of free milk,
 food, Virol etc., the quantities of which are given in the report of
 the M.O.H.

In connection also with the Clinic, a Baby Day was held in
 July in the Cricket Field, and local Mothercraft Competitions were
 organised. Great satisfaction with the exhibits in knitting, dress-
 making, patching, darning etc., was expressed by the judges, and
 also by the doctors who judged diet competitions.

We were particularly honoured in having, as the speaker,
 Viscountess Allendale, who gave a very enlightened address which
 delighted the mothers and visitors. She also presented certificates
 gained in the National Competitions, and complimented the par-
 ents on their awards.

Before concluding my brief report, I should like to express
 my thanks to all the helpers who so cheerfully perform their var-
 ious duties at the Clinics so regularly each week : also to the Chair-
 man and ladies of the Maternity & Child Welfare Committee for
 their continuous interest, to the officials of the Sanitary Depart-
 ment for their help ; and, on behalf of the mothers of the Clinic
 and myself, to Dr Steven. for his lectures and teaching in order
 that we may compete for these awards.

I would also like to express my gratitude to the M.O.H. for
 his help and advice in the difficulties which occur in the execution
 of my duties.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

OLIVE BOOTH

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE STATISTICS

1936

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Population of area served by Council (1935)	... 14440
Births notified during year under Notification of Births Act 1907—	
Live births	... 248
Still births	... 10
Total	... 258
By midwives	... 140
By doctors	... 118
Health Visiting—	
Officers employed for health visiting by Council	... 1
Visits during year by Health Visitor—	
To expectant mothers—first visits	... 110
Total visits	... 335
To children under 1 year of age—first visits	... 248
Total visits	... 2046
To children 1 to 5 years—total visits	... 2081
Infant Welfare Centres—	
Provided and maintained by Council	... 3
Total attendances at all centres during year—	
By children under 1 year	... 1587
By children between 1 and 5 years	... 2401
Total number of children attending first time—	
Children under 1 year	... 134
Children between 1 and 5 years	... 181
Total number in attendance at end of year—	
Children under 1 year	... 97
Children between 1 and 5 years	... 241
Percentage of notified live births represented by number of children under 1 year who attended centres for first time	... 54.0
Ante-Natal Clinics—	
Clinics provided and maintained by Council	... 4
Total attendances at all clinics	... 511
Total women who attended during year	... 98
Percentage of total notified births (live and still) represented by number of women who attended clinics during year	... 37.9

Post-Natal Clinics—

Clinics provided and maintained by Council	...	3
Total attendances at all clinics	...	257
Total women who attended during year	...	121

Supply of Milk and Food—

Milk and other foods supplied free or at less than cost in necessitous cases to expectant mothers, nursing mothers and children under 5	...	yes
Milk and other foods supplied at cost to expectant mothers, nursing mothers and children under 5	...	yes
Total quantity of milk supplied during year to expectant and nursing mothers and young children by Council—		
Liquid gallons	...	732
Dried pounds	...	462

Maternity Homes and Hospitals—

Women sent by Council to other Maternity Institutions...	8
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Homes and Hospitals for Sick and Ailing Children under 5 years—

Children sent by Council to other institutions—		
Ultra Violet	...	6
Orthopædic	...	5

Infectious Diseases—

Cases notified—		
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	...	1
Measles & German Measles (children under 5)	...	97
Cases visited by Officers of the Council—		
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	...	1
Measles & German Measles (children under 5)	...	97
Ophthalmia Neonatorum—		
Vision unimpaired	...	1

Midwives—

Practising for maternity and child welfare	...	3
Cases during year in which Council paid or contributed to fee of a midwife	...	4

● Cases attended by midwives—

As midwives	...	138
As maternity nurses	...	2
Cases during year in which medical aid was summoned by a midwife under Section 14 (1) of the Midwives Act 1918	...	36

Maternal Deaths—

Women who died in, or in consequence of, childbirth	...	2
Number of these cases which died in institutions	...	2

Administration of Part 1 of the Children Act 1908—

Persons on register receiving children for reward at end of year	...	3
Children on register at end of year	...	3
Infant Protection Visitors at end of year who were Health Visitors	...	1





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